

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) A method for ~~preventing or treating~~ chicken coccidiosis, which comprises orally administering to a bird ~~an antibody~~antibodies obtained from an egg of a chicken immunized with the ~~soluble outer membrane protein F3 from the merozoite of *Eimeria acervulina*, which is a fraction of soluble outer membrane proteins of 18 to 27kD from the and~~ soluble outer membrane protein F3 from the merozoite of *Eimeria acervulina*, ~~which is a fraction of soluble outer membrane proteins of 18 to 27kD from the and~~ soluble outer membrane protein F3 from the merozoite of *Eimeria acervulina*, ~~has a common immunogenicity shared among sporozoite and merozoite of *Eimeria acervulina*, *Eimeria tenella* and *Eimeria maxima* which are associated with chicken coccidiosis.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 6 wherein the ~~antibody~~ antibodies are orally administered in combination with a lactic acid bacterium and/or an antibody obtained from an egg of a chicken immunized with *Clostridium perfringens*.